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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: DNA ENCODING MAMMALIAN NEUROPEPTIDE FF (NPFF)  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 24, 2005 OFFICE ACTION**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the March 24, 2005 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 24, 2005 Office Action was due June 24, 2005. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the March 24, 2005 Office Action. The fee for a two-month extension of time is \$450.00 and instructions are provided herein to charge the amount of this fee to Deposit Account No. 503201. With a two-month extension of time, a response is now due August 24, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

In response to the March 24, 2005 Office Action, please amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims 1-191 which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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